

In the Matter of
Section 63.71 Application of
Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC

For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of
the Communications Act of 1934, as
amended, to Discontinue the Provision of
Certain Voice and Data Services in the
Tucson, Arizona Metropolitan Area

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF
LEVEL 3 TELECOM OF ARIZONA, LLC**

Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC (FRN: 0004-3522-74) (“Level 3 Telecom”),¹ a CenturyLink company, seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue certain Voice and Data services in the Tucson, Arizona metropolitan area.

This application follows the Commission’s approval of CenturyLink’s transfer of certain telecommunications assets in the Tucson metropolitan statistical area to FirstDigital Communications.² That asset transfer was undertaken to fulfill the requirements of the Final

¹ Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC is a subsidiary of CenturyLink, Inc. (FRN 0018-6268-53).

² See *In the Matter of CenturyLink, Inc. Transferor, and FirstDigital Communications, LLC; FirstDigital Communications Arizona, LLC; FirstDigital Telecom Arizona, LLC, Transferees, Joint Application for Consent to Assignment of Assets Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act, as Amended*, WC Docket No. 18-154 (filed May 14, 2018). See *Notice of Domestic Section 214 Authorization Granted*, WC Docket No. 18-154, Public Notice, DA 18-657 (Jun. 22, 2018).

Judgment issued in connection with CenturyLink's acquisition of Level 3 Communications,³ and has now been consummated. CenturyLink now seeks authorization to discontinue Level 3 Telecom's provision of certain voice and data services in the Tucson, Arizona metropolitan area. CenturyLink will continue to provide voice and data services through its incumbent local exchange carrier affiliate, Qwest Corporation, as well as other corporate affiliates.

CenturyLink provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules:

1. Name and Address of the Carrier

Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC
100 CenturyLink Drive
Monroe, LA 71203

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

CenturyLink plans to discontinue the affected services on or around August 6, 2019 or as soon thereafter as any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

CenturyLink proposes to discontinue the affected services in the Tucson, Arizona metropolitan area.

4. Description of Services Affected

Voice and Data Services: Basic Business Line Service provides voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Basic Exchange Line and Trunk Services provide voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Channel 12 Service is a bundled service consisting of

³ Final Judgment, *United States v. CenturyLink, Inc. and Level 3 Communications, Inc.*, 1:17-cv-02028-KBJ (Mar.6, 2018) ("Final Judgment").

local exchange service with select features. Complete Lines/Trunks Service (a/k/a Complete Lines DS0) provides voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time. IP Trunks is a managed application provisioned across a customer's local area network (LAN) and the Level 3 IP Core. VersiPak Lines and Trunks Service is the voice portion of an integrated, multi-service, packet-based access service that delivers voice and data services over a single DS1. VersiPak Flex® T Service and VersiPak Power® T Service are bundled services consisting of local exchange service with select features. VersiPak IPRI Service is an integrated, packet-based access solution designed to deliver PRIU and Internet services over a single DS1. VersiPak Mach2 and VersiPak March3 are services that consist of integrated voice and internet bandwidth.

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers

CenturyLink sent a written notification of the planned discontinuance to the customers affected by the proposed discontinuance in accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules. Customer notifications were sent by United Parcel Service and U.S. Mail on May 6, 2019. A copy of the notifications are attached to this application (Attachment A and Attachment B).

6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-dominant with Respect to the Service to be Discontinued

Level 3 Telecom is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

7. Other Information

In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this application is being mailed concurrently with its filing to the entities listed on the attached certificate of service.


CONCLUSION

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of the services described herein. Advance notice has been provided to all affected customers, giving them ample time to arrange substitute services which are readily available. Therefore, CenturyLink respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application.⁴

Respectfully submitted,

LEVEL 3 TELECOM OF ARIZONA, LLC

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May 13, 2019

⁴ This Application does not fall within the scope of 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(6).

Account Number: []

Service Address: []

There are various options to replace the current service(s) with alternate CenturyLink voice services. Given the unique nature of services provided to First Digital for end user customers in Tucson, we ask that you contact your account team as soon as possible so they may assist you in transitioning to services that are available.

If you do not choose to replace the affected services with a different CenturyLink service or with another service provider prior to 8/6/2019, your current service will be disconnected on, or after this date. If your services are no longer needed, simply place a disconnect order via the billing portal using your Billing Account Number listed above or contact your account team for assistance.

We are here to assist you. Your CenturyLink Account Manager is [] and can be reached at [], or by email at []. If you would like to designate an operational contact with respect to this matter, please provide his or her contact information. Feel free to contact your Account Manager with any questions.

We value your business and appreciate your cooperation regarding this notice.

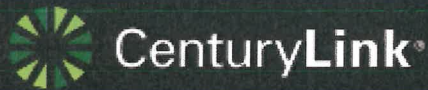
Thank you,

CenturyLink
100 CenturyLink Drive
Monroe, LA 71203



The following statement is required by the FCC:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.



Billing Account Number:

NAME

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

5/6/2019

Service Address: []

Dear Customer,

We are contacting you to inform you that certain voice services provided by Level 3 Telecom of Arizona, LLC in the Tucson, Arizona area will be discontinued on, or after 8/6/2019. This is subject to the approval of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

You are receiving this notice because you currently subscribe to one or more of the following services that are being discontinued in the Tucson, Arizona area as part of a network consolidation program resulting in a single, next-generation, CenturyLink platform that will provide your business with greater flexibility, simplicity and efficiency.

- **Basic Business Line Service** provides voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time.
- **Basic Exchange Line and Trunk Services** provide voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time.
- **Channel 12 Service** is a bundled service consisting of local exchange service with select features.
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- **IP Trunks** is a managed application provisioned across a customer's local area network (LAN) and the Level 3 IP Core.
- **VersiPak Lines and Trunks Service** is the voice portion of an integrated, multi-service, packet-based access service that delivers voice and data services over a single DS1.
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- **VersiPak Mach2 Service and VersiPak Mach3 Service** consist of integrated voice and Internet bandwidth.

There are various options to replace your current service with an alternate CenturyLink voice service. We ask that you contact your account team as soon as possible so they may assist you in selecting a new service that meets your needs and ensures a seamless and uninterrupted transition of your voice services.

If you do not choose to replace the affected services with a different CenturyLink service or with another service provider prior to 8/6/2019, your current service will be disconnected on, or after this date.

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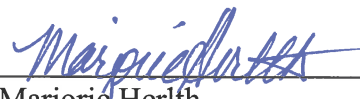
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Marjorie Herlth, do hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing **SECTION 63.71**

APPLICATION OF LEVEL 3 TELECOM OF ARIZONA, LLC to be:

- 1) Filed with the Secretary of the FCC via ECFS (Inbox-Section 214 Domestic Discontinuance Application);
- 2) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Governor of the State listed on the attached service list;
- 3) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Public Utility Commission listed on the attached service list;
- 4) Served via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or via email on the Regulatory Authority for the Tribal Nation listed on the attached service list; and
- 5) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.



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May 13, 2019

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